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Details: James Wenzler

(FORM UPDATED: 08/11/2010)

## WISCONSIN STATE LEGISLATURE ... PUBLIC HEARING - COMMITTEE RECORDS

2009-10

(session year)

### Senate

(Assembly, Senate or Joint)

Committee on ... Labor, Elections, and Urban Affairs (SC-LEUA)

#### **COMMITTEE NOTICES ...**

- Committee Reports ... CR
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- Public Hearings ... PH

## INFORMATION COLLECTED BY COMMITTEE FOR AND AGAINST PROPOSAL

- Appointments ... Appt (w/Record of Comm. Proceedings)
- Clearinghouse Rules ... CRule (w/Record of Comm. Proceedings)
- Hearing Records ... bills and resolutions (w/Record of Comm. Proceedings)

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<sup>\*</sup> Contents organized for archiving by: Gigi Godwin (LRB) (September/2011)

#### **Senate**

#### **Record of Committee Proceedings**

### Committee on Labor, Elections and Urban Affairs

Wenzler, James, of Oak Creek, as a member of the Auctioneer Board, to serve for the term ending May 1, 2011.

November 12, 2009 Referred to Committee on Labor, Elections and Urban Affairs.

December 15, 2009 PUBLIC HEARING HELD

Present: (5) Senators Coggs, Wirch, Lehman, A. Lasee and

Grothman.

Absent: (0) None.

Appearances For

• James Wenzler

**Appearances Against** 

• None.

**Appearances for Information Only** 

• None.

Registrations For

• None.

Registrations Against

• None.

Registrations for Information Only

• None.

April 14, 2010 **EXECUTIVE SESSION HELD** 

Present: (5) Senators Coggs, Wirch, Lehman, A. Lasee and

Grothman.

Absent: (0) None.

Moved by Senator Lehman, seconded by Senator Wirch that **Wenzler**, **James** be recommended for confirmation.

Ayes: (5) Senators Coggs, Wirch, Lehman, A. Lasee and Grothman.

Noes: (0) None.

CONFIRMATION RECOMMENDED, Ayes 5, Noes 0

Adam Plotkin Committee Clerk

#### **Vote Record Committee on Labor, Elections and Urban Affairs**

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STATE OF WISCONSIN

November 11, 2009

To the Honorable, the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate and with the advice and consent of the Senate, do appoint James Wenzler to be a Public Member on the Auctioneer Board to serve a term expiring May 1, 2011.

Mr. Wenzler will be available to the Senate for hearings and my staff will assist in any way they can.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Doyle Governor



STATE OF WISCONSIN

November 11, 2009

Mr. James C. Wenzler 8630 Ventana Dr. Unit 3909 Oak Creek, WI 53154

Dear Mr. Wenzler:

I am pleased to appoint you to the Auctioneer Board, effective November 11, 2009. Your experience, knowledge, and dedication will be a true asset to my administration and a great benefit to the people of Wisconsin.

I look forward to working with you to find creative ways of delivering services and implementing positive change for the citizens of our state.

Sincerely,

Jim Doyle Governor



#### JIM DOYLE

#### GOVERNOR STATE OF WISCONSIN

#### **GOVERNOR'S APPOINTMENT**

NAME:

James Wenzler

MAILING ADDRESS:

8630 Ventana Dr. Unit 3909

Oak Creek, WI 53154

E-MAIL ADDRESS:

james\_wenzler@hotmail.com

RESIDES IN:

Oak Creek, WI

TELEPHONE:

(608) 744-2000 ext.239 (w)

(608) 829-1188 (h)

APPOINTED TO:

Auctioneer Board

Public Member 2

TERM:

A term to expire May 1, 2011

SUCCEEDS:

Mr. Byron R. Krueger

SENATE CONFIRMATION:

YES

DATE OF APPOINTMENT:

November 11, 2009

DATE OF NOMINATION:

November 11, 2009

## James Charles Wenzler

#### Special Skills Qualifications

- ✓ An experienced team player, bringing enthusiasm and energy into group efforts.
- $\checkmark$  Possess effective presentation, verbal and written communication skills.
- ✓ Articulate and creative, offering innovative and practical solutions.
- ✓ Ability to successfully manage multiple priorities and assignments.
- ✓ Proven capacity to approach problems effectively and creatively.
- ✓ Able to direct and lead others to produce desired results.
- ✓ In-depth knowledge of the public services sector.
- ✓ Effective planning and organizational skills.

#### Employment History

April 2008-Present

## \* Manager of Employment & Salaried Employee Relations Patrick Cudahy Incorporated

Oversee the positive employee relations program in a manufacturing environment for 1900 Union and non-union personnel. Provide guidance to company officers, executives and managers for human resources law and Union contract adherence, act as an advocate for non-union employees. Investigate and determine results on employee relations issues. Company representative for Wisconsin Equal Rights, Unemployment and Worker's Compensation Divisions, and Federal E.E.O.C. hearings and appeals. Participate and lead the company dispute resolution process, direct and engage in employee performance management and documentation, maintain the management employee handbook, provide technical guidance and expertise to Company production leadership regarding human resources compliance and regulatory policies for Federal, State and local rules, regulations and laws. Manage new superintendent, manager and executive employee orientation. Improve and adapt employee relations activities and initiatives. Oversee the support for internal processes, such as: job descriptions, understanding of appropriate crewing standards, implementation of corporate policies and procedures. Organization Change Manager for S.A.P. software implementation. Manage and direct contract staffing agency Contract and on-site personnel. Editor of the Company newsletter, the Apple-Wood Vine. Supervise staff of 3 directly, 6 indirectly.

May 2005-July 2007

## \* Recruitment Specialist/Human Resources Generalist Environment Control

Responsibilities: Work with operations managers to understand area needs and define position requirements for the hiring of entry level, professional and technical positions. Develop and execute recruitment strategy with operations managers as a trusted advisor. Source, screen, interview and vet qualified candidates for department managers. Develop applicant database through direct sourcing, networking and employee referrals to build a qualified pool. Prepare, extend, and negotiate employment offers and handle new hire orientation/paperwork. Meet and/or exceeding hiring requirements while offering creative/innovative ideas to continually improve the recruitment process. Maintain relationships with local post secondary institutions. Coordinate and attend recruiting events i.e. career fairs and college presentations. Ensure EEOC and Affirmative Action compliance, along with legal aspects of interviewing and hiring. Update the HRIS daily to maintain recruiting/employment records. Provide coaching and guidance for supervisors and managers on employee relations issues and participate in company policy items. Coordinate and facilitate training as necessary and conduct new hire orientation. Maintain and update job descriptions, process performance evaluations, and send out monthly performance review notices. Maintain employee benefit and retirement plans, and administering the leave of absence/disability program.

August 2002-May 2003

#### \* Event Operations Supervisor (PT)

Alliant Energy Center of Dane County

Responsibilities: Supervises and coordinates all production elements relating to events, event planning and community support. Supervises event crew scheduling, hiring, coaching and development. Coordinates meetings with six departments for strategy planning before, during and

November 2001-May 2005 after events. Responsible for ensuring that all County regulations and policies are followed while directing the multiple departments together to achieve end result. Continued long-term tact and alliance building to meet client needs.

\* Operations Supervisor-Human Resources

Best Buy Stores LLP.

Responsibilities: Labor negotiations, the development and recommendation of collective bargaining proposals; researching the internet to locate potential job applicants assisting with perform new employee orientation meetings and compiling materials. Coach and advise managers on employee relations issues, as well as counseling employees. Enter all payroll adjustments. Monitor time clock irregularities. Maintain personnel records, compensation, and benefits administration. Administer and manage benefit programs including Medical, Dental, Flexible Spending, 401k, Disability, and Life Insurance. Coordinate Leaves of Absence, FMLA, Workman's Compensation and Unemployment Compensation programs

#### Education Training

#### Professional Memberships

Present

June 2005-June 2008

August 2005-March 2007

May 2006-Present

December 2006-Present

November 2001-Present I. University of Wisconsin Baccalaureate Degree (120 credits) Graduation 2000

O Major - Political Science O Minor - Legal Studies

II. Middleton High School, Middleton, Wisconsin, Graduation 1996

Public Affairs Division Officer



United States Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 9-10 Madison, WI

Board of Directors
 Soccer Foundation of Wisconsin
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Public Affairs Spokesman
 American Red Cross
 Madison, Wisconsin

National Notary Association
 Notary Public, State of Wisconsin

Ombudsman-Wisconsin Committee

Employer Support of the Guard & Reserve

Arlington, Virginia

Mock Trial Judge
 American Mock Trial Association (AMTA)
 West Des Moines, Iowa

## State of Wisconsin\Government Accountability Board

Ethics & Accountability Division P.O. Box 7984
212 E. Washington Ave, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Madison, WI 53707-7984
Phone (608) 266-8005
Fax (608) 264-9319
E-mail: GABEthics@wi.gov



KEVIN J. KENNEDY Director and General Counsel

11/11/2009

Senate Committee Members:

The attached Statement of Economic Interests is provided with regard to the individual's nomination to a State Public Office by Governor Jim Doyle.

Sincerely, STATE OF WISCONSIN GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY BOARD

Nominee:

Wenzler, James

Nomination Date:

11/11/2009

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#### Part A

#### Information current as of

1. INVESTMENTS.

a) Funds Available in Wisconsin Deferred Compensation Program. These funds are available to participants in the Wisconsin Deferred Compensation program and many of them are also available for direct purchase, independent of that program. If you held an investment of \$5,000 or more in any of these funds — either directly or through the program — please check the appropriate box.

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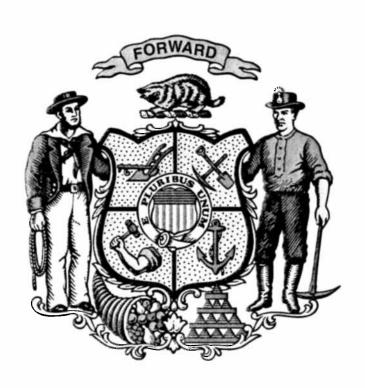
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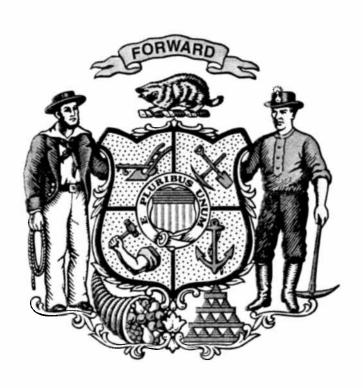
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## Patrick Cudahy **Apple-Wood Vine**

Winter 2009

James C. Wenzler, Editor

Human Resources Department, One Sweet Apple-Wood Lane, Cudahy, WI 53110-1635 www.patrickcudahy.com A member of the John Morrell Operating Company of Smithfield Foods, Inc.

All of us here at Patrick Cudahy wish you a safe and joyous holiday season.

Christmas...that magic feeling that wraps itself around us. Christmas is something intangible inside us that's like a long-lost favorite thought or memory. It weaves a spell of nostalgia of times gone by. Christmas may be a day of feasting, or of prayer, but always it will be a day of remembrance -- a day in which we think of everything we have given to others and kindness we have done.

Season's T

The family of employees here at Patrick Cudahy are grateful for another year where we all have a place to come to work and have fellowship.

Bring on 2010! We will make it successful too.



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"Christmas is a time when you get homesick even when you're home." ~Carol Nelson





#### **Dedication Pays Off** By Jennifer Mojica

Jay Isaku and Jennifer Wieland attended their final class and graduation from Black Belt training June, 2009. Each received 13.7 continuing education credits from Iowa State University. They were in the first graduating class of the Iowa State University/Smithfield Foods Meat & Poultry Black Belt Training Program.

Jay and Jennifer started the Black Belt training in May of 2008. They covered everything meat and poultry related from processing of the product to the



(l-r) Henry Morris, Jennifer Wieland and Larry Pope

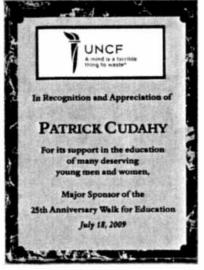
mathematics behind the scenes. Both Jay and Jennifer attended class on the University campus in September of 2008 and in June of 2009. Both completed 12 online sessions and passed all examinations with at least an 80% grade. Along with the classes, they completed projects. Each project consisted of a proposal, paper,



and a 10-15 minute power point presentation. Jay's project was on improving efficiencies in the Pork Sausage Department. Jennifer's was on the new vision system being utilized in Microwave bacon. Both spent additional hours working on preparation and studying for the paper, including data collection. Each project was due about a month before the final class, and they had to present it to the entire class, which included Henry Morris, VP of Smithfield.

(l-r) Henry Morris, Jay Isaku and Larry Pope





## Patrick Cudahy Supports UNCF By Marlene Russell

Through our corporate sponsorship, we supported UNCF's Kick-Off Luncheon by providing Patrick Cudahy shelf stable products and promotional merchandise for 30 student care packages and donating 10 tickets for students to attend the luncheon to help UNCF meet its \$175,000 goal. Our Company also provided financial support to the 25th Anniversary Walk for Education by mailing 2,000 registration/pledge forms. We also purchased 4,000 eco-friendly bags for registrants' walk/run materials, t-shirt and giveaways.

On July 18th, 2009, Patrick Cudahy was presented a plaque as a major sponsor of the 2009 events, and recognized for the support in the education of many deserving young men and women.

For 65 years, UNCF has provided financial and technical assistance to the 39 member traditionally black colleges and universities. Without UNCF's support, many of the students at these colleges would not have access to higher education or the benefits that it provides.

## 30-Year Anniversary



Susan Harrits Food Safety/Research & Development Hired: 9/10/1979



Pamela Langridge Customer Service Hired: 2/14/1979



Catherine Hill Research & Development Hired: 7/27/1979



Zelija Sabanovski Hired: 11/18/1999



Arturo Gonzalez Microwave



Pedro J. Rodriguez Sliced Bacon



Kris Kringle



10-Year

Anniversary

Microwave



Hired: 11/10/1999



Hired: 10/01/1999



Operations Hired: 8/15/1889



Alisa Martinez Microwave Hired: 11/16/1999



Guadalupe Ruiz Maintenance Hired: 10/04/1999



Dry Sausage Pack Hired: 10/28/1999



Florencio Martinez Microwave Hired: 10/11/1999



Patricia Ortega Dry Sausage Pack Hired: 10/04/1999

## 25-Year Anniversary



Shipping Hired: 8/22/1984



Refinery Hired: 9/13/1984



Accounting Hired: 9/20/1984





Lydia Regalado Microwave



Robbyn Baines Microwave Hired: 11/17/1994 Hired: 11/11/1994 Hired: 11/17/1994

## 15-Year Anniversary



Sales-Retail/Deli Hired: 10/31/1994



Tricia Campbell Quality Assurance Hired: 8/01/1994

## **Holiday Career Tips**

The holidays can be the perfect time to boost

your career. Between kindness to coworkers and holiday

parties, you have plenty of opportunities to show people who you are and where your career interests lie. Here are a few potential opportunities:

- Holiday party. 75 percent of companies (don't forget your spouse's company too) will hold holiday parties this year. Attend, but remember to not booze it up, don't talk shop the entire time, and don't over or under-dress.
- Cards. Sending holiday cards is a great way to acknowledge those who've helped your career in the past year and to reconnect with business associates.
- Gifts. A little caution here. Determine whom you want to give a gift to (clients, co-workers, bosses) but first make sure they're allowed to receive gifts. Use your best judgment on getting an appropriate gift that serves as a token of appreciation. And don't expect a gift in return.

## What's In a Patrick Cudahy Brick? By Howard Thorpe

Just clay mixed with sand and walls, somewhere in the 1950's. baked in a kiln, or a lot of recent disastrous fire exposed buildings. They were:

Cream City Bricks produced months! the height of production these brickyards were producing 15 year.

Brickyard Hocker's were produced in about 1900 in (A Green Bay suburb, close to Lambeau Field. Go Pack!). These bricks were found on the outside walls and they came from a brickyard that was considered haunted in the 1800's (ask me to tell you this Halloween story-Boo !!! ).

Gagnon Clay Products bricks were also made in Green Bay. area These bricks were placed on the outer wall around the Hocker bricks to give extra

Patrick Cudahy history? The The Cream City bricks were the answer should be both. Our walls of the first 1892 plant. The 1906 fire destroyed 40 % of the three main layers of bricks in plant and most of the brick walls the destroyed parts of our remained. It was fortunate that we were able to rebuild and be fully operational in only a few Hockers The from 6 Milwaukee brickyards Gagnon bricks were added on from 1830 to around 1900. At outer expansion walls as the Company continued to grow. Cream City bricks disappeared million Cream City bricks a from circulation as the clay mines that the clay came from were exhausted. (clay deposits bricks were 100' underground)

good old Ashwaubenon, WI. Lastly, before Patrick Cudahy originally built the plant in the 1892, he took a ship to Russia and contracted with northern Russia timber barons to provide him with Russian Black Oak and Cypress to build and maintain the plant. Patrick returned with a shipment of this lumber. It took several months by ship and then rail to bring the wood to Cudahy, WI.

Why go to Russia to buy lumber? The reason is that Black Oak and reinforcement to the building Cypress are very dense types of

1 Meat Packing Pioneer Who Founded a Company and a City

wood, which makes them very strong. This density happens because of the short Siberian summers, which makes the tree growth rings very close together. The ring density then makes Black Oak and Cypress very strong.

100 year old bricks survived our recent fire, so can we for another 100, if we all pull together and work at our best!





Genowefa 1983



#### GENOWEFA RUTKOWSKI

Born in the town of Bizebrof, Germany 1922 Started: July 24, 1951 in Select Meats Retired: December 1, 1983 from Sliced Bacon

Passed: October 27, 2009

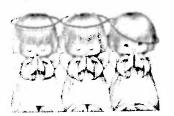


Genowefa 1951

Genowefa crossed the Atlantic Ocean and came to the U.S on July 18, 1951, from Germany through New Orleans on the U.S.S. General Muir.

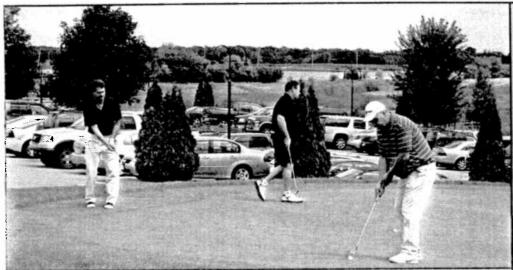
Genowefa Rutkowski began her career

with Patrick Cudahy in Select Meats and transferred to Sliced Bacon on April 11, 1955. On March 24, 1958, she went to Fresh Sausage Manufacturing until April 7, 1958, when she returned to Sliced Bacon. On May 6, 1964, Genowefa transferred to Labor Pool until July 20, 1964, when she was able to return to Sliced Bacon until her retirement on December 1, 1983.



## Patrick Cudahy off Golfing By Jeff Silbaugh

The Patrick Cudahy Golf League went out and whacked at a few golf balls on a picture perfect beautiful summer August 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Broadlands Country Club in North Prairie, WI. We chose this golf course because it was close to a few of the players homes, but mostly because we wanted to get out in the country so none of the players had to worry about someone they knew seeing them slice the ball.



(1-r) Phil Maher, Mike Reitz and Craig Stewart. (One must practice to get a hole-in-one.)

If you are interested, we welcome all levels of skill or no skill at all. To contact Company Golf League, please ioin jeffsilbaugh@patrickcudahy.com or x330. For you Patrick Cudahy employees who have wanted to join, but don't know golf terms or how the game is played, here are some basic golf rules and terminology.

Addressing the Ball - Taking a stance and grounding the club (except in a hazard). Away - Ball furthest from the hole. Birdie - One stroke under the designated par of a hole. Bogey - Usually one stroke over the designated par of a hole. Divot - Turf displaced by player's club when making a swing. Dog-leg - A hole in which the route of play angles to the right or left before reaching the putting surface. Eagle - Two stokes under par for a



(l-r) Jeff Silbaugh & Mark Bakken (Out on this beautiful Summer day, creating divots is fun.)

Please see Golf page 6



(1-r) Phil Maher, Howard Thorpe, Bruce Davis & Craig Stewart (As things go, they had way too much fun!)

(l-r) Rick Ahlborn, Ed Marquette, Rob Fons & John Zimmer (Never let these guys on a golf cart that has no speed governor.)

#### Golf Continued from page 5



(l-r) Mike Reitz, Dean Jacobson, James "Bud" Matthews & Dan (l-r) Jeff Ahlborn, Chris Scheel, Chuck Ahlborn & David Ziats Habighorst (A team of heavy hitters)

(A security team of specialized players.)

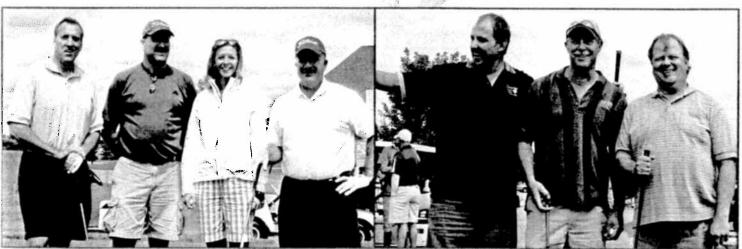
hole. Fairway - Closely mowed route of play between teeing area and putting green. Fore! - A warning yell to any person in the way of a golf ball out of control in play. Green - The putting surface. Handicap - A deduction from a player's gross score devised to match his score against par to equate differential abilities to other players. Hazard - A term used to designate bunkers (sand traps or water areas) Hook - A stroke made by a right-handed player which curves the ball to the left of the target. Match play - Type of competition in which each hole is a separate contest. Par - A numerical standard of scoring excellence based on yardage and two putts per green. Stroke play - Competition based on total number of strokes taken.

The three Laws of golf are: LAW 1: No matter how bad your last shot was, the worst is yet to come. This law does not expire on the 18th hole, since it has the supernatural tendency to extend over the course of a

tournament, a summer and, eventually, a lifetime.

LAW 2: Your best round of golf will be followed almost immediately by your worst round ever.

LAW 3: Brand new golf balls are water-magnetic. It is a known fact that the more expensive the golf ball, the greater its attraction to water.



(l-r) Mark Bakken, Jeff Silbaugh, Jenny Kamke & Rick Dempsey
(A mega-bite team of RAM putters.)

(l-r) Harvey the Rabbit, Ken Krug, Joe Klubertanz & Ron Mahsem (A team that immediately forgets where their ball landed.)

#### APPLE-WOOD VINE

## 5-Year Anniversary

Microwave Microwave **Bacon Press** Belly Pump Microwave Receiving Microwave Microwave Kitchen Sliced Bacon Microwave Sliced Bacon Sliced Bacon **Belly Pump** 

Vekic, Tanja Allison, Mary Ramos Perez, Sergio Villagomez, Everardo Moran, Teresa Morales, Jacqueline Davalos, Teresa Estrada, Cristina E. Jackson, Ervin L. Herrera, Roxana Aleman, Brenda Tairi, Naime De Leon, Miguel Ramos, Roberto

Hired 10/01/2004 Hired 10/07/2004 Hired 10/12/2004 Hired 10/12/2004 Hired 10/12/2004 Hired 10/15/2004 Hired 10/15/2004 Hired 10/15/2004 Microwave Hired 10/18/2004 Hired 10/18/2004 Hired 10/18/2004 Hired 10/18/2004 Hired 10/25/2004 Hired 10/27/2004

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Villalaz, Marisa Ziba, Ziraet Koosuwan, Thienchai Martinez, Jose R. Mamo, Abdullahi Afanassiev, Emmanouil B. Maksuti, Mustafa Maksuti, Pellumbeshe Aden, Said Omar Quality Assurance Ghannam, Abdel Khalek Matraku, Engjellush Franco, Patricia C. Quality Assurance Mojica, Jennifer

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## **PAT SEZ Holidays Bring** Quality Home







When it comes to the nuts and bolts of buying, the holiday season is when we do more of it than at any other time. We will all buy "things" like toys, household items, clothing and gifts.

The holiday season brings our dual role as producers and consumers closer together. At no other time do we have the opportunity to critique the quality of so many products by so many manufacturers.

We can analyze whether a given producer has cared enough about us to include all of the parts needed to put the product together, and whether each product works as the maker claims it will. We get to project whether the item is likely to last through the guarantee period and beyond.

As we use many new things, it will be easy for us to determine which companies have felt our presence while they are assembling, packaging and shipping.

Could they feel our joy when the wonderful new toy worked so well? Did they care enough to gauge our disappointment, if it failed us?

#### Golf Continued from page 6

Chavez, Maria



(1-r) Charlie Brah, Phil Bailey, Maynard Dulak & Eric Tennant (This team enjoyed chasing the food cart, golfing was second.)

All of this makes us think again about our own roles in producing our quality meat products. It has been said that "FEELING THE PRESENCE OF THE CUSTOMER IS ONE WAY TO KEEP ON CARING ABOUT EACH JOB THAT WE DO."

When we know for a fact that we have doggedly pursued excellence in our work, we can also be assured that our customer will not be disappointed.

Our pursuit of customer satisfaction brings that continuing success, which will make it possible for us at Patrick Cudahy to have many happy holidays in the future. We will know that as the result of our efforts, many other people will be pleased as well.

Happy Holiday Season!



The 2009 United Way Campaign has now finished. Thanks to all of you who donated to this worthy cause. Patrick Cudahy employees donated \$94,602.00. Patrick Cudahy matched 50% of all donations, which resulted in a total donation of \$141,903.00.

Thank you for your generosity!

## United Way

## What About Smoking?!

By Maria Flores, RN

When non-smokers are exposed to secondhand smoke, it is called involuntary smoking or *passive smoking*. Non-smokers exposed to secondhand smoke absorb nicotine and other toxic chemicals, just like smokers do. The more secondhand smoke you are exposed to, the higher the level of these harmful chemicals in your body.

The workplace is a major source of secondhand smoke exposure for adults. Secondhand smoke meets the criteria to be classified as a potential cancer-causing agent by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), the federal agency responsible for health and safety regulations in the workplace. The scientific evidence shows that there is no "safe" level of exposure to secondhand smoke, so it is recommended that exposures to secondhand smoke be reduced to the lowest possible levels.

Secondhand smoke exposure in the workplace has been linked to an increased risk for heart disease and lung cancer among adult non-smokers. Secondhand



smoke immediately affects the heart and blood circulation in a harmful way. The Surgeon General has concluded that smoke-free workplace policies are the only effective way to prevent secondhand smoke exposure in the workplace. Separating smokers from nonsmokers, cleaning the air, and ventilating the building cannot prevent exposure, if people smoke inside the building.

Patrick Cudahy fully supports the smoke ban legislation signed by Governor Doyle this year, and will implement ours on May 1, 2010. This policy will help more employees quit smoking, prevent children from ever starting, and reduce the harmful effects of secondhand smoke in the workplace.

"Smoking had left me with a

permanent reminder of my youthful choice. I had cancer of the larynx and lost my voice. I no longer breathe through my mouth and nose, but through a hole in the front of my neck. No one wants to live like this out of choice. But, it was a choice I made without realizing the consequences."

-Deborah Norton

### Stop Smoking Success



Trenna Grose, Sliced Lunch Meats, used tobacco for 23 years.

Humberto Navas, Lard Refinery, used tobacco for 20 years.

Marisa Villalaz, Sliced Bacon, used tobacco for 13 years.

Each has been off tobacco for 3 years, and going. <u>Congratulations!</u>

### Halloween Costume Contest Results



Alma Cortez (Ahrrrg, there shall be points assessed to your attendance record me-matie!)



Christine Mozejewski (Do you know where my house is?)



Deb Neault (I caught me a mouse.)



Gloria Speed (The BAT is in the House!)



Lati Ziba (Bob Marley's got an itch to scratch. Can you help him?)



Jean Moehrle (Have an apple, just sign the insurance papers first dearie!)







Cheryl LoCicero (60's Chick)



Jim Wenzler, Human Resources Manager (Confessions, please deposit 5 cents!)



Pam Langridge (Oh, I love M & M's!)





Stray Feral cats (We're Santa's new elves!)



Robyn Kelley (As Cleopatra's head!)



Don Harvey (As a Golf hat!)



Dawn Ahlborn (Wizard of Oz witch.)



Mary Lou Boettcher (THE Klingon from STAR TREK)



### Patrick Cudahy Wins Enviro Award

Smithfield Foods. Inc. introduced its Environmental Excellence Awards program in early 2001. The awards, which are given on an annual basis, were designed to recognize those subsidiary companies and personnel of those companies who look beyond compliance to focus on preventing pollution and enhancing environmental through stewardship innovative projects.

Each winning project selected receives individual certificates and plaques for their respective facility and a check for \$5,000, of which \$3,000 is donated to a local charity(s) with the remaining balance being divided equally between



Categories for the awards include:

- ♦ Waste Reduction-Pollution Prevention,
- ◆ Cleaner/Greener Production Processes and/or Packaging,
- ◆ Environmental Management (ISO 14001),
- ◆ Energy and Water Conservation,

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- ◆ Wastewater Handling & Treatment, and
- ♦ Environmental Training.

Some of the key factors for choosing included the award winners Environmental Impact/Social Significance; Efficiency and Cost Effectiveness; Originality and Innovativeness/Use of a previous project; and Technical Value Transferability (for use at other facilities).

Smithfield Foods held its 2009 Environmental Excellence Awards ceremony November 11<sup>th</sup> in Kansas City at the Marriott Country Club Plaza.

Dan Habighorst-Vice President of Human Resources, Gene Bridges-Vice President Maintenance & Engineering, Mike Costello-Safety/Security Manager and Carter Hanson-Environmental Engineer were in attendance.

We closed the old 6.8-acre PCI fill area & removed an ugly eyesore from the local community. This now scenic piece of natural habitat helped improve the Cudahy Community. This project enhanced Smithfield's overall position in the community by beautifying the area from its original condition.

For this, Patrick Cudahy Incorporated was awarded the **Environmental Management (ISO 14001)** Award. The award was accepted by Carter Hanson.

"It was a great pleasure to represent Patrick Cudahy at this recognition ceremony." Carter said, "A lot of the credit goes to the employees of Patrick Cudahy for taking the time to do their own part in making us successful over the last year."

Left is a view from space of the area, in Yellow, where we made improvements.



## Winter Jumble

Find these winter words and activities in the jumble:



COLD
SNOWFLAKES
FREEZING
SCARVES
MITTENS
SLEDDING
ICE SKATING
SKIING
TOBOGGANS
HOCKEY STICK
GLOVES
SNOWSHOES
SHOVELING
BOOTS
WINTER COATS









As of May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010, there will be no more smoking allowed inside the Patrick Cudahy plant or outlying areas. Smoking will only be allowed in the Green & Red parking

lots outside of the perimeter fence.

Smoking cessation ideas can be obtained in the Employee Health Department.



"MAN LEDWID FULLA MUMAN DIQUET NOLUT

" MAN, I COULD KILL A HUMAN RIGHT NOW!"

MERRY EHRIST MAS!



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